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April 5, 2010

Mr. Sam Schuchat, Executive Director
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am writing in strong support of The Conservation Fund and Save the Redwood League's efforts to secure funding for their acquisition of a conservation easement and a beach parcel from the Redwood Forest Foundation.

These conservation transactions will provide many important benefits to my local communities and our state by permanently protecting the 50,000 acre Usal Redwood Forest, maintaining 134 to 413 jobs per year over the next 15 years, protecting important threatened and endangered species habitat, sequestering carbon and providing appropriate public access. In addition, this easement creates a strong template for even more conservation gains in the future by allowing the Redwood Forest Foundation to maintain ownership. I am very supportive of the Foundation, its diverse board of directors and its efforts to promote community forestry. The Usal Redwood Forest transactions are exactly the type Californians envisioned when they allocated \$184 million specifically to maintaining working forests.

The delays in implementing the Prop 84 program are certainly understandable. Given, however, California's successful bond sales and my expectation that you may receive an allocation for new projects, I do hope that you will make funding the Usal Redwood Forest conservation transactions a top priority for 2010. Keeping these lands in working forests will mean much to my community, region and the Foundation itself.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and I would be happy to work with you in any way I can.

Respectfully,

WESLEY CHESBRO
Assemblyman, 1st District

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OAKLAND, CALIF.**





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September 23, 2010

Sam Schuchat, Executive Director
State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Re: Support for Usal Redwood Forest Project

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am writing on behalf of the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors to express our strong support for the efforts by the Conservation Fund and Save the Redwoods League to protect the Usal Redwood Forest and Beach, which abuts Humboldt County's Southern edge in neighboring Mendocino County. This project complements land management initiatives by other land owners and community organizations in the area, and is consistent with regional efforts to provide a stronger community voice in resource management issues.

Community forest projects provide a wide range of benefits, including recreation, greenbelts, watershed and habitat protection and sustainable management of the timber itself. I have been deeply involved in community forestry issues in Humboldt County for over 10 years, and I can personally attest to the value of such projects and to the immense community support for such efforts. Just two weeks ago a fundraiser for a community forest project in Arcata drew a crowd of over 1,000 people. It is my understanding that there is widespread support for this project in Mendocino County, and I have every reason to believe that to be the case.

This project will demonstrate a new and innovative approach to protecting forests and coastal resources and conserving working lands for the benefit of local communities and the environment. I encourage your agency to join with the many other community partners to make this project a success. I thank you for your support of this project.

Sincerely;

Mark Lovelace, Vice Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

cc: Assemblymember Wes Chesbro
Kendall Smith, Mendocino County 4th District Supervisor
Redwood Forest Foundation

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September 23, 2010

Sam Schuchat, Executive Director
California State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am very pleased to hear that progress that has been made in support of The Conservation Fund, Save the Redwoods League, and Redwood Forest Foundation's efforts to protect the Usal Redwood Forest and beach located just north of Fort Bragg on Mendocino Counties Lost Coast.

This summer, Fort Bragg passed a unanimous resolution in support of the Usal Redwood Forest project. In addition to protecting the Forest's future ecological integrity and economic vitality and providing expanded public access to coastal resources, our council urged support for this project because of its potential to serve as a model for resolving conflicts over forest and natural resource management that will inspire others in California and throughout the nation

Many people in our region have invested much time and effort in assuring that this working forest will be conserved for future generations. On behalf of our Board, we hope you can see this project to completion by the end of the year.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to call me if you have any questions or if I can be of help in any way.

Sincerely:

Doug Hammerstrom, Mayor

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September 14, 2010

Mr. Sam Schuchat, Executive Director
California State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

I am very pleased to hear that the State Coastal Commission is moving forward in its support of The Conservation Fund, Save the Redwoods League, and Redwood Forest Foundation's efforts to protect the Usal Redwood Forest and beach located just north of Fort Bragg on the lost coast of Mendocino County.

This project is important to the citizens of Ukiah, Mendocino County and the Redwood Region. The City of Ukiah has passed a unanimous resolution in support of the Usal Redwood Forest project. This project is an important step in restoring the health of our forests, increasing economic opportunity for our citizens and providing expanded public access to coastal resources. On behalf of our Council, we hope you can see this project to completion by the end of the year.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to call me if you have any questions or if I can be of help in any way.

Sincerely,

Benj Thomas
Mayor

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KENDALL SMITH
Supervisor
Fourth District

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COUNTY OF MENDOCINO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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Ukiah, California 95482

September 9, 2010

Sam Schuchat, Executive Director
State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Schuchat:

We are writing to let you know of our strong support for The Conservation Fund and Save the Redwoods League's efforts to protect the 50,000-acre Usal Redwood Forest and Beach in Mendocino County. As a leader and innovator in efforts to protect our coast's extraordinary natural resources, we respectfully urge the Coastal Conservancy to join with its sister agencies and non-profit partners to help secure this dramatic opportunity to demonstrate a new approach to protecting coastal resources and conserving working lands for people and the environment.

As elected officials and leaders in our communities, we have rarely seen such broad-based support for a conservation project. Specifically, our respective Boards of Supervisors passed unanimously the attached resolutions over the summer. We also understand that the cities of Ukiah, Fort Bragg and Willits each have passed similar unanimous resolutions. Clearly, there is a very strong desire in our communities to see this project succeed, not only because it will protect the property's future ecological integrity and economic vitality and expand public access, but also because it will serve as a model for resolving resource management conflicts and providing sustained economic support to cash-strapped local communities.

We also are impressed with the commitment and flexibility the Bank of America is bringing to this effort. Their willingness to proceed presents the Coastal Conservancy with an extraordinary opportunity to cost-effectively fulfill several of the goals established in its 2007 Strategic Plan regarding public access and the protection of coastal resources and working landscapes.

As an organization founded to fulfill the voters' vision of sustainability for California's iconic coastal resources, the Coastal Conservancy has often been at the forefront of innovative efforts to meld human use and natural resource conservation. Successful completion of this project would certainly establish a striking new example of your agency's remarkable legacy of accomplishment.

Please let us know how can help bring this important effort to a successful conclusion as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Kendall Smith in blue ink.

Kendall Smith, 4th District Supervisor
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

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COASTAL CONSERVANCY
OAKLAND, CALIF.

Wailaki Tribe

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December 27, 2010

*Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA. 94612-2530*

Dear Friend,

We are writing in strong support of The Conservation Fund and Save the Redwood League's request for funding the Usal Redwood Forest conservation.

Our interest is the use of the of the Usal Redwood Forest for our Native American restoration of tribal gathering of traditional foods and basket making resources. We have worked with the Redwood Forest Foundation for several years. We have had a very productive and an informative relationship

Sincerely,

*Wailaki Tribal Council Member at Large
Yvonne Frost*

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Conserving Land in Mendocino County since 1976

December 20, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

John McCamman, Chairman
Wildlife Conservation Board
1807 13th Street, Suite 103
Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Messrs. Bosco and McCamman:

I am very pleased to hear that the Wildlife Conservation Board and California State Coastal Conservancy will consider The Conservation Fund's and Save the Redwood League's requests for funding the Usal Redwood Forest conservation projects at their January and February meetings.

I am strongly support both projects. The Shady Dell acquisition will extend protection of California's Lost Coast by one mile and protect the ecologically important Shady Dell Creek watershed. The Usal Redwood Forest conservation easement acquisition will assure that nearly 50,000 acres of coastal Redwood/Douglas Fir forest will be maintained in one block so that it will continue to sustainably provide forest products, jobs, endangered species habitat, sequestered carbon and water quality and quantity.

In addition, these projects will allow the Redwood Forest Foundation to maintain ownership of the Usal Redwood Forest. The Foundation is a unique community based organization whose board includes those who have worked with and for timber, financial, and environmental organizations as well as local government. In bringing these historically disparate perspectives together, the Foundation is working together to manage this important resource for current and future generations.

Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,


Winston Bowen, President

cc: Karyn Gear - CCCC
Teri Musik - WCB

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OAKLAND, CALIF.**



December 23, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Chairman Bosco,

I am very pleased to hear that the California State Coastal Conservancy is going to consider The Conservation Fund and Save the Redwood League's requests for funding the Redwood Forest Foundation's Usal Redwood Forest conservation projects at your January.

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We are small business owners in the recreation and lodging sector. Our family has resided on the Mendocino coast thirty plus years. We are very aware of the need to support both the economy and the ecology of the area, which the Redwood Forest Foundation is doing in its ownership and management of Usal Redwood Forest.

We have been committed to sustainable practices since 1980, running an Inn that is known for supporting environmental causes. As organic farmers and business folks we care very much about creating co-operative ventures that unite rather than divide residents.

Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,

Joan and Jeff Stanford

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Llama Treks
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Mike and Dana Whitehead
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Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chariman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

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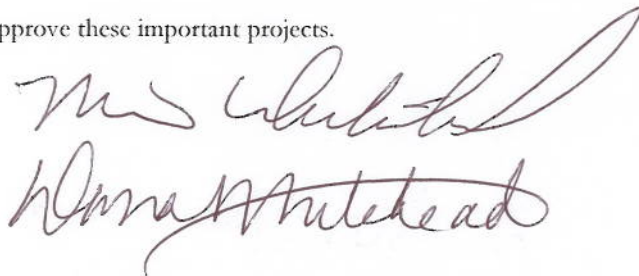
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We are small business owners in the recreation and lodging sector. Our family has resided on the Mendocino coast for five generations. We are very aware of the need to support both the economy and the ecology of the area, which the Redwood Forest Foundation is doing in its ownership and management of Usal Redwood Forest.

Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,

The block contains two handwritten signatures in dark ink. The top signature is a stylized, cursive signature that appears to read 'Mike Whitehead'. The bottom signature is also in cursive and appears to read 'Dana Whitehead'.

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GREENWOOD RIDGE VINEYARDS

December 23, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chariman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Chairman Bosco,

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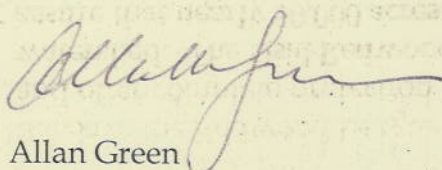
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As owner of Greenwood Ridge Vineyards, a small vineyard and winery, for 37 years, I can attest to the value these forest lands have to the entire community.

Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,



Allan Green

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COASTAL CONSERVANCY
OAKLAND, CALIF.

Albion River Watershed Protection Association
Friends of Salmon Creek
PO Box 661, Albion CA 95410

January 1, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

John McCamman, Chairman
Wildlife Conservation Board
1807 13th Street, Suite 103
Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Messrs. Bosco and McCamman:

I am very pleased to hear that the Wildlife Conservation Board and California State Coastal Conservancy are going to consider The Conservation Fund's and Save the Redwood League's requests for funding the Usal Redwood Forest conservation projects at their January and February meetings.

As a long-time forestry activist, who has worked both with national conservation organizations such as the Sierra Club as well as with community- and watershed-based environmental groups; as a founding member of the Redwood Forest Foundation (RFFI); and as someone who has followed with great interest The Conservation Fund's work on their Mendocino forestlands, I strongly support the Shady Dell acquisition and the Usal Redwood Forest conservation easement.

These types of projects are, in my opinion, essential to the maintenance and restoration of the forests and watersheds that form a critical component of our region's environmental, economic, and community health.

Many local people representing a variety of interest groups and perspectives have embraced these models of community-based resource management as valuable, creative and cooperative steps toward a sustainable future for us all.

Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,



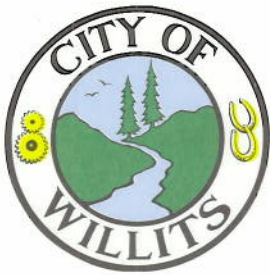
Linda Perkins
Chair, ARWPA Steering Committee

cc: Karyn Gear - CSCC
Teri Musik - WCB

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CITY OF WILLITS

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December 20, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
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John McCamman, Chairman
Wildlife Conservation Board
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Sacramento, CA 95811

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Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,

Alan R. Falleri
Community Development Director

cc: Karyn Gear - CCCC
Teri Musik - WCB

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MENDOCINO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

PAUL A. TICHININ, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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January 3, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

John McCamman, Chairman
Wildlife Conservation Board
1807 13th Street, Suite 103
Sacramento, CA 95811

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Please vote to approve these important projects.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Tichinin".

Paul Tichinin, Superintendent
Mendocino County Office of Education

cc: Karyn Gear - CSCC
Teri Musik - WCB

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LAYTONVILLE RANCHERIA
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December 29, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Commission
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

Dear Mr. Bosco,

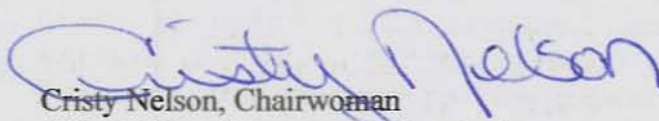
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Please vote to approve these important projects.

Respectfully yours,


Cristy Nelson, Chairwoman
Cahto Tribe of Laytonville Rancheria

cc: Art Harwood, Director RFFI

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OAKLAND, CALIF.





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January 5, 2011

Mr. Douglas Bosco, Chairman
California State Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, 13th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612-2530

John McCamman, Chairman
Wildlife Conservation Board
1807 13th Street, Suite 103
Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Messrs. Bosco and McCamman:

Our staff at Pacific Watershed Associates (PWA) has extensive experience conducting watershed related studies along the Lost Coast and within the Usal Creek watershed. Consequently, I am very pleased to hear that the Wildlife Conservation Board and California State Coastal Conservancy are going to consider The Conservation Fund and Save the Redwood League's requests for funding to acquire a small, coastal portion of the Usal Redwood Forest at their January and February meetings.

I am writing in strong support of these projects. The Shady Dell acquisition will provide for controlled public access along an addition one mile of California's Lost Coast and offer complete protection of the ecologically important Shady Dell Creek watershed. The Usal Redwood Forest conservation easement acquisition will assure that nearly 50,000 acres of coastal Redwood/Douglas Fir forest will be maintained in one block so that it will continue to sustainably provide forest products, local jobs, endangered species habitat protection, sequestered carbon and provide for water quality and quantity protection.

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Sincerely,
PACIFIC WATERSHED ASSOCIATES INC.

Danny Hagans

Danny Hagans, Principal/CFO

cc: Karyn Gear - CCCC
Teri Musik - WCB

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